
Portugal Cancel on German Stamp - Followup

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The Portuguese cancellation on the German stamp is most likely the result of an envelope transmitted via diplomatic pouch. The envelope would not have been postmarked in Germany, since it did not enter the mail stream there. The first handling by a post office would be in Portugal when the pouch was

opened by the embassy there.

A second, but much more remote possibility, is a Portugal receiving cancel. Since the stamp does not have a German origin cancel, I tend to discount this possibility.